

**REVISED 15-DAY EXPRESS TERMS
FOR
PROPOSED BUILDING STANDARDS
OF THE
OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL**

**REGARDING PROPOSED CHANGES TO
2016 CALIFORNIA RESIDENTIAL CODE
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24, PART 2.5**

(The State agency shall draft the regulations in plain, straightforward language, avoiding technical terms as much as possible and using a coherent and easily readable style. The agency shall draft the regulation in plain English. A notation shall follow the express terms of each regulation listing the specific statutes authorizing the adoption and listing specific statutes being implemented, interpreted, or made specific. (PART 1 – ADMINISTRATIVE CODE)

Legend for Express Terms:

- 1. Existing California amendment:** California 45-Day language will appear in underlined and ~~strikeout~~.
- 2. Amended, or repealed language:** Amended or repealed 15-Day language will appear in *italics and double underline* and ~~double strikeout~~.
- 3. Rationale:** The justification for the change is shown after each section or series of related changes.
- 4. Notation:** Authority and reference citations are provided at the end of each chapter.

EXPRESS TERMS

R324.6.4 Emergency escape and rescue opening. Panels and modules installed on dwellings shall not be placed on the portion of a roof that is below an emergency escape and rescue opening. A 36 inch (914mm) wide pathway shall be provided to the emergency escape and rescue opening.

Rationale for revision: The proposal for Item 9 is to incorporate the new changes in the 2018 International Residential Building Code early into the California Residential Code. This is based on the current need in California. The proposal is based on the IFC proposal F85-16 that was approved. A public comment pointed--out that the companion IFC proposal F87-16 that added

one section to the regulations for protection of the emergency escape and rescue openings was also approved and incorporated into the IFC and IRBC codes. This revision is to incorporate that change and make the regulations consistent with the International Residential Building Code.